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SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLICATION :  
(BASED ON PCT/EP04/08192)

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FOR: METHOD FOR THE SEPARATION :  
OF A CRUDE C4 CUT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.